# ALPHA EPSILON PI

### Phi Chapter Newsletter



Welcome to the Phi Chapter's Inaugural Alumni Newsletter! Our chapter has a lot going on, from our 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary gala, to Alumni Weekend(s), and more information about our thriving chapter!

#### **FALL 2017**

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No one could tell me where my soul might be, I searched for G-d, but he eluded me, I sought my brother out and found all three. -Poet Brother Howard J. Crosby



#### A Note from Our Master: Tyler Corsello ('19)

#### **Brothers**

I have now had the pleasure of serving as Master of the Phi Chapter for just over ten months and it has been quite the ride. I have grown immensely as an individual over the course of the year and have also had the opportunity to get to know so many brothers, both from this chapter and all over the country. In fact, at the end of the summer Noah (VP) and I were in Las Vegas for AEPi's national convention where we networked with brothers, alumni and Nationals staff of all ages and from all over the world. Our brotherhood has grown exponentially over the past decade and as we grow it is important to us to maintain the tight knit relationship with our alumni network – hence this newsletter. One of my goals for this brotherhood when I first became president was to close the gap between the Alumnus and the undergraduate brotherhood and although we have a long way to go, I am happy with some of the steps we have made. We recently hosted a wedding after party for a brother from the Class of 2010 (come visit us!). In addition to this newsletter, many of you may know we are working on planning an 85th Anniversary banquet next fall and although my term as master is dwindling I will continue to be heavily involved in the alumni relations efforts and I look forward to hopefully getting to meet you guys when you come to Amherst. Fraternally,



Tyler is a current junior at UMass and apart of the Alpha Phi (Fall 2015) pledge class. He plans on working in real estate development is Isenberg Student from Livingston, New Jersey.

### Introduction: Welcome Back to the Phi Chapter!

Tyler Corsello ('19)



The Phi Chapter at our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Old Fraternity Row Bowl

Photo Credit: Phi Chapter Archives (2016)

During the 2016-2017 school year, 22 brothers joined our fraternity from the Alpha Psi and Alpha Omega Pledge Classes, bringing our current brotherhood to **61 men**. Over the past 5-10 years, Amherst has been really strict about zoning laws, but our brotherhood is closer together without an official house to call our own. With brothers living in the Southwest Residential Area, Sunset Ave, Allen St, Phillips St, and N. Pleasant St, brothers live at a maximum 10 min walk from each other. It is rare to be a freshman and have an instant connection with a senior in college, but through AEPi, these bonds last a lifetime. In fact, the bonds of our brotherhood extend beyond age and location on the globe. In the past few years, our brotherhood has welcomed several Israeli citizens into our brotherhood. We are extremely proud to have former IDF soldier Ran Levgoren ('18),

into our brotherhood. We are extremely proud to have former IDF soldier Ran Levgoren ('18), current IDF soldier Jacob Barasch ('19) and Sagie Madnick ('15), who decided to serve following graduation. We are so proud to call these men our brothers!

## The Phi Chapter at a Glance:

Philanthropy

#### The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Old Fraternity Row Bowl

On November 5, 2016 our chapter hosted the 2nd annual Old Fraternity Row Bowl, a football tournament raising money for Heroes to Heroes, St. Baldrick's Foundation, and St. Jude's Children's Hospital. The tournament had 3 fraternity teams competing in flag football for the ultimate prize, bragging rights. With an announcer, referees, and concessions, the event was a fun-filled day. The event raised over \$5,000, and we are continuing to grow the event in the coming year.



Brothers of the Phi Chapter at the 9th Annual Autism Speaks 5k Photo Credit: Phi Chapter Archives (2017)

#### **AEPuppIes**

On September 29, 2017, our chapter is teaming up with The Second Chance Animal Shelter and bringing adoptable puppies to Kendrick Park from 1-4pm. Many local Amherst business will be there. For more information, email our Philanthropy Chair, Ariel Keynan, at <a href="mailto:philanthropy@umassaepi.com">philanthropy@umassaepi.com</a> for more information!

You can also learn more and stay up to date from our Facebook Event: <a href="mailto:goo.gl/EcVF7e">goo.gl/EcVF7e</a>



The AEPi 2016 OFRB Flag Football Team Photo Credit: Phi Chapter Archives (2016)

#### 9th Annual Autism Speaks 5k/3k Walk/Run

On April 2, 2017, the Phi Chapter co-hosted the 9th Annual Autism Speaks' 5k Run/3k Walk. Our chapter raised over \$5,000, the most of any organization at the event, and every brother volunteered, set up, ran, and cleaned up the hugely successful event. In total, \$25,000 was raised for Autism Speaks. Additionally, numerous brothers participated and placed in the 5K run. Our chapter wants to personally thank **Ethan Mazala** ('17) for his countless hours of hard work and dedication to make this event our premier philanthropy event of the year.



#### FALL 2017 E-BOARD



Scribe: **Ben Tuval ('19)** 



Brother Master: **Tyler Corsello ('19)** 



Lieutenant Master: **Noah Schevitz ('19)** 



Exchequer: Scott Dash ('19)



Pledge Master: **Jon Rubin ('19)** 



Philanthropy Chair: **Ariel Keynan ('20)** 



Rush Chair: Jeremy Sheinman ('20)



Rush Chair: Dan Sidell ('20)



House Manager: Ben Liebman ('20)



Social: **Zach Kaufman ('19)** 



Sentinel: **Armand Kochi ('19)** 

## HILLEL AND THE PHI CHAPTER



Brothers outside the Hillel House (388 N. Pleasant St)
Photo Credit: Phi Chapter Archive (2017)

AEPi and UMass Hillel's relationship has been as strong as ever. In the past year, brothers participated in several events with Hillel throughout the school year. On Yom Ha'azmaut (Israeli Independence Day) we helped set up and run a successful parade outside of the Hillel House, which so happens to be our next-door to a house where brothers live. There were outdoor games, face painting, a delicious UMass BBQ, and even a virtual reality station where you could test out Oculus goggles. Brothers also had the opportunity to build the Hillel Sukkah with Hillel members and staff for Sukkot, which was a fun experience for all!

Many brothers travel together when they are not on campus either! Whether it is through Birthright trips, road trips during Spring Break, or trips to the dining halls, fraternity brothers are they people that you choose to be with, and brothers of the Phi Chapter stay together and are brothers for life!



Brothers (L to R) Dean Brownworth, Greg Friedrich, Ethan Mazala, Jason Garry, Harrison Ross, and David Dotterweich at Mt. Masada in Israel

Photo Credit: Harrison Ross (Facebook)

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#### Other Phi Chapter Happenings

#### **Northeast Regional Conclave**

semester, our Spring 2017 chapter In the hosted AEPi's Northeast Regional Conclave. 250+ AEPi brothers from schools across the northeast region came together in the Student Union to participate in chapter officer workshops, career networking events, LinkedIn events, and many more educational workshops. Brothers, Philanthropy Chair Roger Zlotolow ('19) ran a bagged lunch drive where 150 bagged lunches were donated to a local homeless shelter in Amherst. Harrison Ross ('17), a graduating senior, gave a moving speech in front of everyone on suicide prevention, how our brotherhood has positively affected his life despite his struggles with mental health, and how to combat the stigma associated with mental health issues, especially in a collegiate fraternity setting.



The Phi Chapter with AEPi's Executive Director Andy Borans Photo Credit: Phi Chapter Archive (2017)



The 2017 Phi Chapter Intramural Floor Hockey Team Photo Credit: Phi Chapter Archives (2017)

Brothers participated in intramural basketball, softball, and indoor hockey during the 2016-2017 school year. These teams were made up brothers, ranging from freshmen to seniors. When playoff season rolled around for each sport, our chapter would have the largest and rowdiest, crowd of brothers supporting our brothers.

"I never really played sports in high school, so it was a really great experience for me being able to play in front of all of my friends,"

-Ariel Keynan ('20)

## IMPORTANT DATES: FALL 2017

September 5: First Day of Classes

September 29: AEPupples

October 9: Columbus Day

(No Classes)

October 20-22: Alumni

Weekend

November 20-24: No Classes (Thanksgiving)

**December 12**: Last Day of

Classes

**December 20**: Last Day of

Finals



# WHERE ARE THEY NOW: CLASS OF 2017 EDITION



Logan "Mugatu" Corsello Alpha Sigma (Spring 2014) Current Job: Market Strategies Analyst- Duncan Williams Location: Memphis, TN



Jason "Gilligan" Garry Alpha Rho (Fall 2013) Current Job: Client Manager and Operations Associate-TSG Reporting Location: New York, NY



Adam "Humpty Dumpty"
Berman
Alpha Rho (Fall 2013)
Current Job: Sales RepresentativePhiladelphia 76ers
Location: Philadelphia, PA



Ethan "Manny" Mazala Alpha Sigma (Spring 2014) Current Job: Core Tax Associate- PWC Location: Florham Park, NJ



Corey "Whitey Duval" Still Alpha Rho (Fall 2013) Current Job: JD Candidate: Cardozo Law School Location: New York, NY



Justin "Chuck E Cheese" Dauman Alpha Rho (Fall 2013) Current Job: Tour Marketing Assistant-Paradigm Talent Agency Location: New York, NY



Avi "Chewbacca" Kessler Alpha Upsilon (Spring 2015) Current Job: Associate of Client Services- ADP Location: Parsippany, NJ



Lonny "Sammy Cacciatore" Geller Alpha Rho (Fall 2013) Current Job: Chef- Convene Location: New York, NY



Matt "JB" Weiner Alpha Sigma (Spring 2014) Current Job: Legends Suite Services- NY Yankees Location: Bronx, NY

The Phi Chapter Congratulates the Class of 2017 and wishes you all the best in wherever life takes you!

## OUR 85<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

In the Fall of 2018, our chapter will be celebrating our 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with an Anniversary Gala. We are in the beginning stages of planning the event, and do not have a set date or place, but we are aiming for Columbus Day Weekend, 2018!

The gala will be a great way to get together with past alumni, learn about what is going on in our chapter, and to learn about what the Phi Chapter was like before you became a brother, as well as after.



Want to be more involved in planning for our 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary?

Email 85@umassaepi.com for more information!!